

**Table 1a. Comparative Labor Force Participation Rates (LFPR), and Unemployment Rates by Region, Using ILO Concept:
July 2004
(In Percent)**

Region	Total 15 Years Old and Over ('000)	Total Labor Force	LFPR	Employed	Employment Rate	Unemployed	Unem- ployment Rate
Philippines	53,363	34,193	64.1	31,623	92.5	2,570	7.5
NCR - National Capital Region	7,605	4,619	60.7	4,056	87.8	563	12.2
CAR - Cordillera Administrative Region	982	645	65.7	611	94.7	34	5.3
Region I - Ilocos	2,857	1,788	62.6	1,649	92.2	139	7.8
Region II - Cagayan Valley	2,191	1,408	64.3	1,358	96.4	50	3.6
Region III - Central Luzon	5,581	3,452	61.9	3,117	90.3	335	9.7
Region IV-A - (Calabarzon)	6,475	4,061	62.7	3,682	90.7	379	9.3
Region IV-B - (Mimaropa)	1,453	998	68.7	959	96.1	39	3.9
Region V - Bicol	3,020	1,978	65.5	1,882	95.1	96	4.9
Region VI - Western Visayas	4,377	2,906	66.4	2,722	93.7	184	6.3
Region VII - Central Visayas	3,855	2,419	62.7	2,223	91.9	196	8.1
Region VIII - Eastern Visayas	2,492	1,698	68.1	1,603	94.4	95	5.6
Region IX - Zamboanga Peninsula ^{1/}	1,955	1,268	64.9	1,212	95.6	56	4.4
Region X - Northern Mindanao	2,496	1,810	72.5	1,715	94.8	95	5.2
Region XI - Davao	2,572	1,707	66.4	1,590	93.1	117	6.9
Region XIII - Soccsksargen	2,310	1,504	65.1	1,401	93.2	103	6.8
Region XIII - Caraga	1,458	972	66.7	924	95.1	48	4.9
ARMM - Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao ^{2/}	1,685	961	57.0	920	95.7	41	4.3

Source: National Statistics Office

1/ - Starting July 2003, Isabela City (Basilan) is part of Region IX.

2/ - Starting July 2003, Basilan province, which was formerly part of Region IX, is now under ARMM by EO 36.

Note: Estimates for July 2004 are preliminary results and are subject to change.